

HOW TO SET UP A WIKI

What is a wiki?

A wiki is a website that can be created and edited by anyone who uses it.

The most famous Wiki is Wikipedia

<http://www.wikipedia.org/>

Why use a Wiki?

- They allow users to **edit web pages easily**, without the use of web authoring software.
- Create an online learning environment that is **accessible at any time** with internet access.
- They allow **parents** to see first hand what is happening in their child's **classroom**.
- Gives access to **same information** to all in the class/cohort.
- You can **track changes** to your Wiki to see who in your class is contributing.
- Students take **ownership** of and pride in the work.
- Anytime a student or teacher creates something it can be **uploaded for all to share**.
- Once you have created the Wiki it can be **used anytime in the future**.

Setting up the Wiki

Join wikispaces

<http://www.wikispaces.com>

Choose a
username
and
password



The screenshot shows the Wikispaces homepage. At the top is a dark blue navigation bar with the Wikispaces logo (a small green plant in a pot) and links for Features, Pricing, Tours, and Private Label. A search bar labeled 'Search Help' is on the right. Below the navigation bar, the main content area has a light blue background. On the left, the heading 'Wikis for Everyone' is followed by a paragraph: 'Our full-featured wikis offer **unlimited usage** and our **stellar visual editor**. Check out our [plans and pricing](#), and see why our customers call us the [best wiki out there](#).' Below this is another paragraph: 'Now hosting over **2,500,000 members** and **1,000,000 wikis**!' and a final paragraph: 'We have given away over 175,000 wikis for K-12 education. Learn more and [create your own classroom wiki today](#).' On the right, there is a 'Get Started' form. A red speech bubble points to the 'Get Started' button. The form has a link 'Already a member? Sign in.' above it. The form fields are 'Username', 'Password' (with a hint 'Enter A Password'), and 'Email'. Below the fields is a red 'Get Started' button. At the bottom of the page, there is a 'Private Label' section with the text 'Wiki Solutions for Organizations' and 'Powerful, reliable, secure.' followed by four icons: a building for 'Business', a hand holding a leaf for 'Non-Profit', an apple on a book for 'K-12', and a graduation cap for 'Higher Ed'. The footer contains links for 'Our Customers Love Us!', 'Upcoming Webinars', and 'From Our Blog'.

Wikispaces

Features Pricing Tours Private Label Search Help

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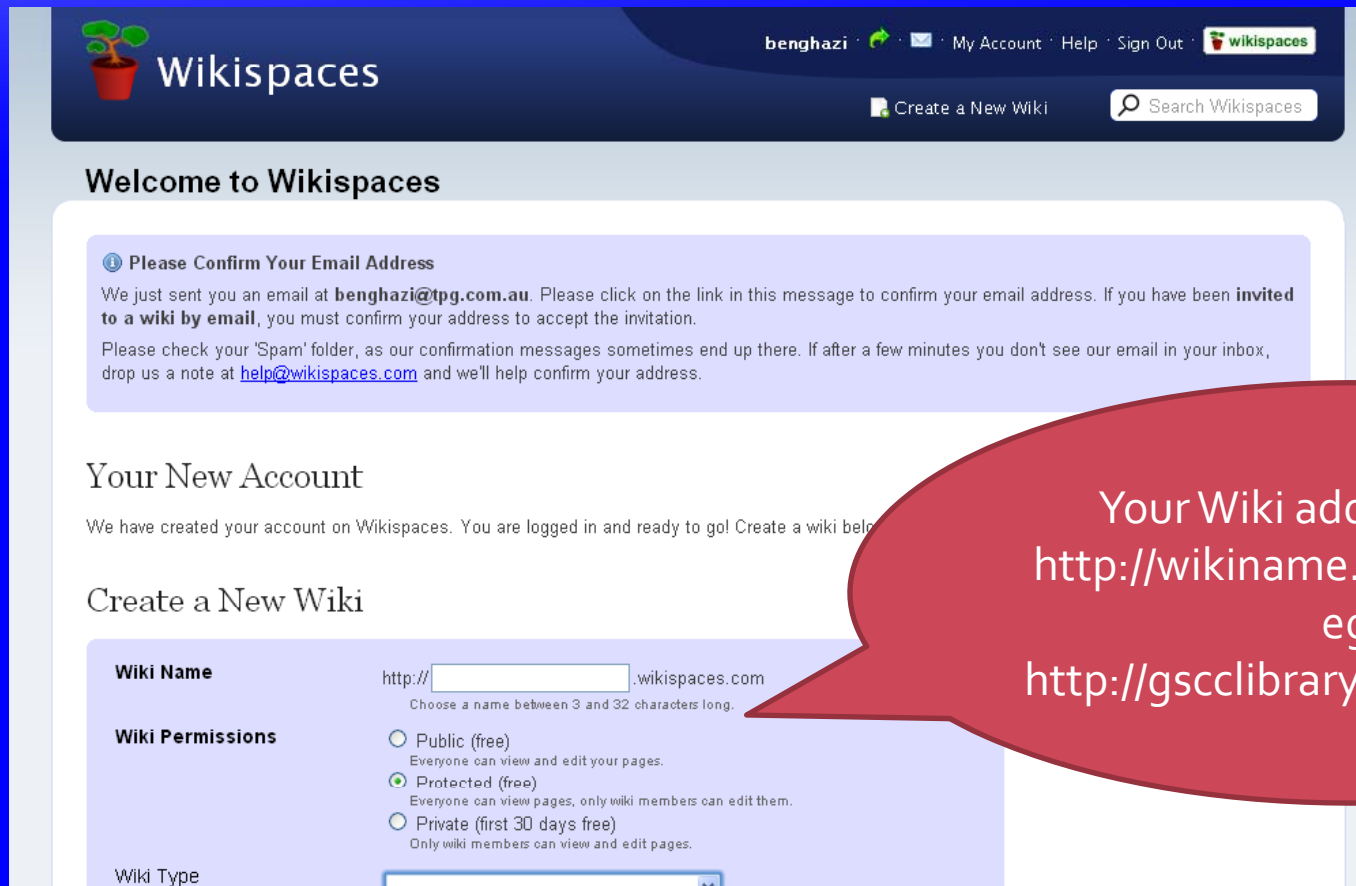
 Our Customers Love Us!

 Upcoming Webinars

 From Our Blog

Setting up the Wiki

1. Choose a name for your Wiki
2. Set your Wiki permissions (protected)
3. Select Wiki type



The screenshot shows the Wikispaces website interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with the Wikispaces logo, a user profile for 'benghazi', and links for 'My Account', 'Help', 'Sign Out', and 'wikispaces'. Below the navigation bar, there's a 'Welcome to Wikispaces' message. A prominent purple box contains an email confirmation message: 'Please Confirm Your Email Address'. Below this, there's a section titled 'Your New Account' with a message stating the user is logged in and ready to go. The main section is 'Create a New Wiki', which includes a form with the following fields: 'Wiki Name' (with a text input and a URL preview 'http://[input].wikispaces.com'), 'Wiki Permissions' (with three radio button options: 'Public (free)', 'Protected (free)' (selected), and 'Private (first 30 days free)'), and 'Wiki Type' (with a dropdown menu).

Wikispaces

benghazi · My Account · Help · Sign Out · wikispaces

Create a New Wiki Search Wikispaces

Welcome to Wikispaces

Please Confirm Your Email Address

We just sent you an email at **benghazi@tpg.com.au**. Please click on the link in this message to confirm your email address. If you have been **invited to a wiki by email**, you must confirm your address to accept the invitation.

Please check your 'Spam' folder, as our confirmation messages sometimes end up there. If after a few minutes you don't see our email in your inbox, drop us a note at help@wikispaces.com and we'll help confirm your address.

Your New Account

We have created your account on Wikispaces. You are logged in and ready to go! Create a wiki below.

Create a New Wiki

Wiki Name http://[input].wikispaces.com
Choose a name between 3 and 32 characters long.

Wiki Permissions

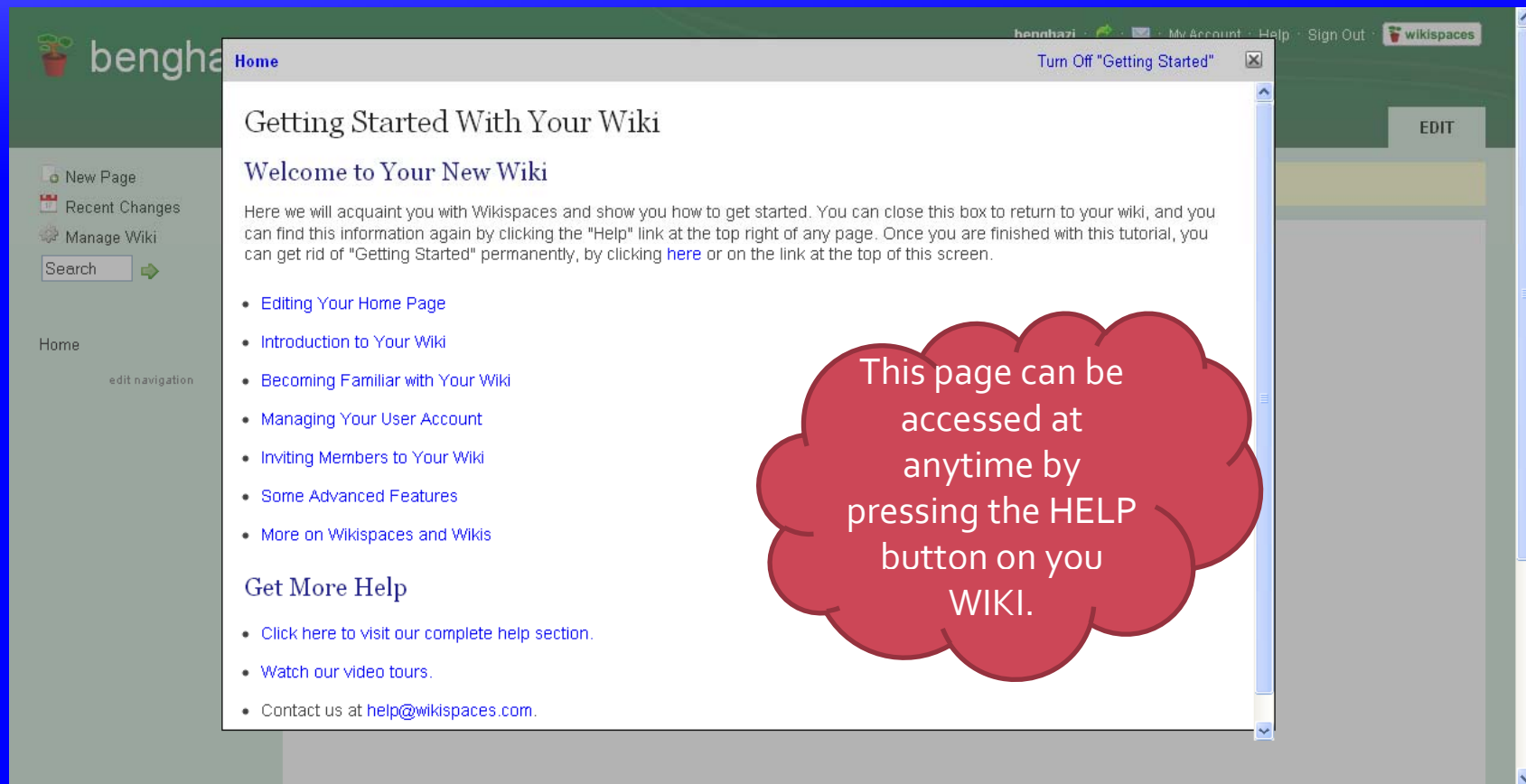
- ☐ Public (free)
Everyone can view and edit your pages.
- ☒ Protected (free)
Everyone can view pages, only wiki members can edit them.
- ☐ Private (first 30 days free)
Only wiki members can view and edit pages.

Wiki Type

Your Wiki address will be :
<http://wikiname.wikispaces.com>
eg.
<http://gscclibrary.wikispaces.com>

Getting started with your Wiki

This page appears when you first start your wiki – it contains some good hints and tips about using your wiki.



Your new Wiki

Here is the HOME page for your new WIKI, it is the first page that users will see when they visit your Wiki.

The screenshot shows the home page of a new Wiki named 'benghazi'. The page has a green header with the name 'benghazi' and a small plant icon. To the right of the name are links for 'benghazi', 'My Account', 'Help', 'Sign Out', and 'wikispaces'. Below the header is a navigation bar with buttons for 'home', 'PAGE', 'DISCUSSION', 'HISTORY', 'NOTIFY ME', and 'EDIT'. The 'home' button is highlighted with a red speech bubble that says 'Page Name'. On the left side, there is a sidebar with links for 'New Page', 'Recent Changes', 'Manage Wiki', and a search box. Below these links is a section titled 'Home' with a link to 'edit navigation', which is also highlighted with a red speech bubble that says 'Also listed here'. The main content area has a yellow banner that says 'Welcome to your new wiki, benghazi.' Below this is a section titled 'Welcome to Your New Wiki!' followed by a 'Getting Started' section with four bullet points: 'Click on the edit button above to put your own content on this page.', 'To invite new members, click on **Manage Wiki** and **Invite People**.', 'To change your wiki's colors or theme, click on **Manage Wiki** and **Look and Feel**.', and 'To set who can view and edit your wiki, click on **Manage Wiki** and **Permissions**.' Below this is a 'Need Help?' section with one bullet point: 'Click on the help link above to learn more about how to use your wiki.'

Page Name

Also listed here

benghazi

My Account · Help · Sign Out · wikispaces

home PAGE DISCUSSION HISTORY NOTIFY ME EDIT

New Page
Recent Changes
Manage Wiki
Search

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edit navigation

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Need Help?

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Making a New Page

The screenshot shows the 'benghazi' Wikispaces interface. The top navigation bar includes links for 'benghazi', 'My Account', 'Help', 'Sign Out', and the 'wikispaces' logo. The main heading is 'Make a New Page'. On the left sidebar, there are links for 'New Page', 'Recent Changes', 'Manage Wiki', and a 'Search' box. Below these are 'Home' and 'edit navigation' links. The main content area contains a 'Page Name' text input field, a 'New Page URL' field with the value 'http://benghazi.wikispaces.com/', and 'Create' and 'Cancel' buttons. Three instructional callouts are present: a red box labeled '1. Click the New Page Link' pointing to the 'New Page' link in the sidebar; a green box labeled '2. Give your new page a name (then click CREATE)' pointing to the 'Page Name' input field; and a blue cloud-shaped box labeled 'Your new page will appear over here when it is done' pointing to the main content area below the form.

benghazi

Make a New Page

New Page
Recent Changes
Manage Wiki
Search

Home
edit navigation

Page Name

New Page URL <http://benghazi.wikispaces.com/>

Create Cancel

1. Click the New Page Link

2. Give your new page a name (then click CREATE)

Your new page will appear over here when it is done

Editing your new page

The screenshot shows the Benghazi Wikispaces page editor. At the top, the site name "benghazi" is displayed next to a small plant icon. To the right of the site name, a red speech bubble contains the text "Your new page name". The top navigation bar includes links for "benghazi", "My Account", "Help", "Sign Out", and "wikispaces". Below this, a secondary navigation bar features tabs for "★ TCM", "PAGE", "DISCUSSION", "HISTORY", "NOTIFY ME", and "EDIT". The left sidebar contains links for "New Page", "Recent Changes", "Manage Wiki", a "Search" box with a green arrow, and a "Home" link with the text "edit navigation" below it. The main content area displays a message in a light blue box: "This page doesn't exist yet. You can create it by clicking the edit button." In the bottom right corner of the main area, a large red thought bubble contains the text "Click here to edit your new page".

Editing your new page

Below is a welcome message to the page that has been formatted as 'Heading 1'

Once you have clicked EDIT, the Editor box will pop up

The screenshot shows the Benghazi Wikispaces editor interface. At the top, there's a header with the 'benghazi' logo and a navigation bar with tabs: 'TCM', 'PAGE', 'DISCUSSION', 'HISTORY', 'NOTIFY ME', and 'EDIT'. The 'EDIT' tab is active. Below the header, there's a sidebar with links: 'New Page', 'Recent Changes', 'Manage Wiki', and a search box. The main content area displays a welcome message: 'Welcome to the TCM page.' formatted as a heading. Below the message, there are two optional text boxes for a note and tags. At the bottom, there's a draft save status and buttons for 'Save Draft', 'Text Editor', 'Preview', 'Save', and 'Cancel'. A red callout bubble points to the 'EDIT' button, stating: 'Once you have clicked EDIT, the Editor box will pop up'. Another red callout bubble points to the main content area, stating: 'The Editor box is where you format your text and insert pictures & videos'.

Editor

B I U T Heading 1 Text Editor Preview Save Cancel

★ TCM PAGE DISCUSSION HISTORY NOTIFY ME EDIT

New Page
Recent Changes
Manage Wiki
Search
Home
edit navigation

Welcome to the TCM page.

Optional: a note about this edit for the page history log

Optional: tags for this page, separated by commas

Draft Saved at 11:15 am Save Draft Text Editor Preview Save Cancel

Note that the content you create on <http://benghazi.wikispaces.com> is licensed under the [Creative Commons Attribution Share-Alike 3.0 License](#). Please only submit content that you write yourself or that is in the public domain. Learn more about our [open content policy](#).

Your new page

The DISCUSSION tab takes you to an area where users can discuss topics or concerns

The screenshot shows a wiki interface for a page named 'benghazi'. The top navigation bar includes links for 'gloz', 'My Account', 'Help', 'Sign Out', and 'wikispaces'. Below this, a secondary navigation bar shows '★ TCM', 'PAGE', 'DISCUSSION', 'HISTORY', and 'NOTIFY ME'. A 'PROTECTED' status icon is also visible. The main content area displays 'Welcome to the TCM page.' followed by a large Yin-Yang symbol. The left sidebar contains links for 'Join this Wiki', 'Recent Changes', 'Manage Wiki', a search bar, and 'Home TCM'. The right sidebar features 'Ads by Google' with links to 'Publish to Wiki', 'PNG Treks and Adventures', '2 New Secret Messages', and 'Getty Images'. Three callouts are present: a blue cloud pointing to 'Manage Wiki' with the text 'Click here to Manage your Wiki'; a red box pointing to the 'DISCUSSION' tab with the text 'The DISCUSSION tab takes you to an area where users can discuss topics or concerns'; and a red box pointing to the username 'gloz' with the text 'Click on your username to manage your account'.

Click here to Manage your Wiki

Click on your username to manage your account

The Discussion Area

The DISCUSSION tab allows users to begin discussions about whatever topics they choose.

The screenshot shows the 'benghazi' wiki's Discussion Area. The top navigation bar includes 'home', 'PAGE', 'DISCUSSION' (selected), 'HISTORY', and 'NOTIFY ME'. On the left sidebar, there are links for 'New Page', 'Recent Changes', 'Manage Wiki', and a search box. The main content area features a search bar with 'Keywords' and a 'Filter' button. Below this is a table with columns: Subject, Author, Replies, Views, and Last Message. The table is currently empty, displaying 'No messages found.' Below the table is a 'Post Message' form with fields for 'Subject' and 'Message'. A checkbox labeled 'Monitor this topic' is at the bottom of the form. On the right sidebar, there are several advertisements, including 'Ask a Lawyer Online Now', 'Free Software Synthesizer', 'Ur Baby with Lincoln L', and 'How to make electricity'. The bottom right corner has a 'Post' button.

benghazi [benghazi](#) [My Account](#) [Help](#) [Sign Out](#) [wikispaces](#)

★ home PAGE DISCUSSION HISTORY NOTIFY ME

New Page
Recent Changes
Manage Wiki
Search [→](#)

Home
edit navigation

Keywords [Filter](#)

Subject	Author	Replies	Views	Last Message
No messages found.				

Post Message

Subject

Message

☐ Monitor this topic

[Post](#)

Turn ads off - 5/month
Ads by Google [A V](#)

[Ask a Lawyer Online Now](#)
4 Lawyers Are Online!
Ask a Question, Get an Answer ASAP.
Law.JustAnswer.com

[Free Software Synthesizer](#)
Kore Player: 50 instruments, 300 MB for free - download it here
www.Native-Instruments.com

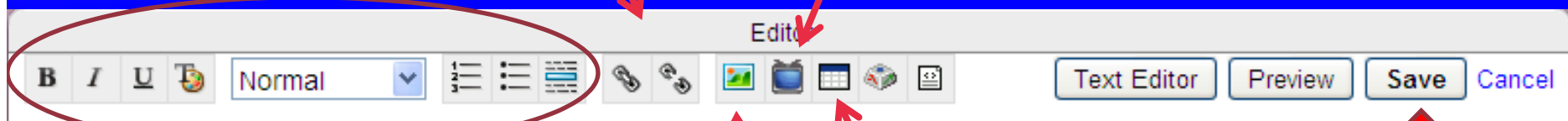
[Ur Baby with Lincoln L](#)
Accurate Baby Predicting Technology Meet u & Lincoln's future baby now!
babypredictor.com.au/Lincoln-L

[How to make electricity](#)
Don't pay for electricity, you can make it simple & cheap at home.
Power4home.com

The Editor Box

These boxes are for inserting hyperlinks

This button allows you to insert 'widgets' including YouTube videos



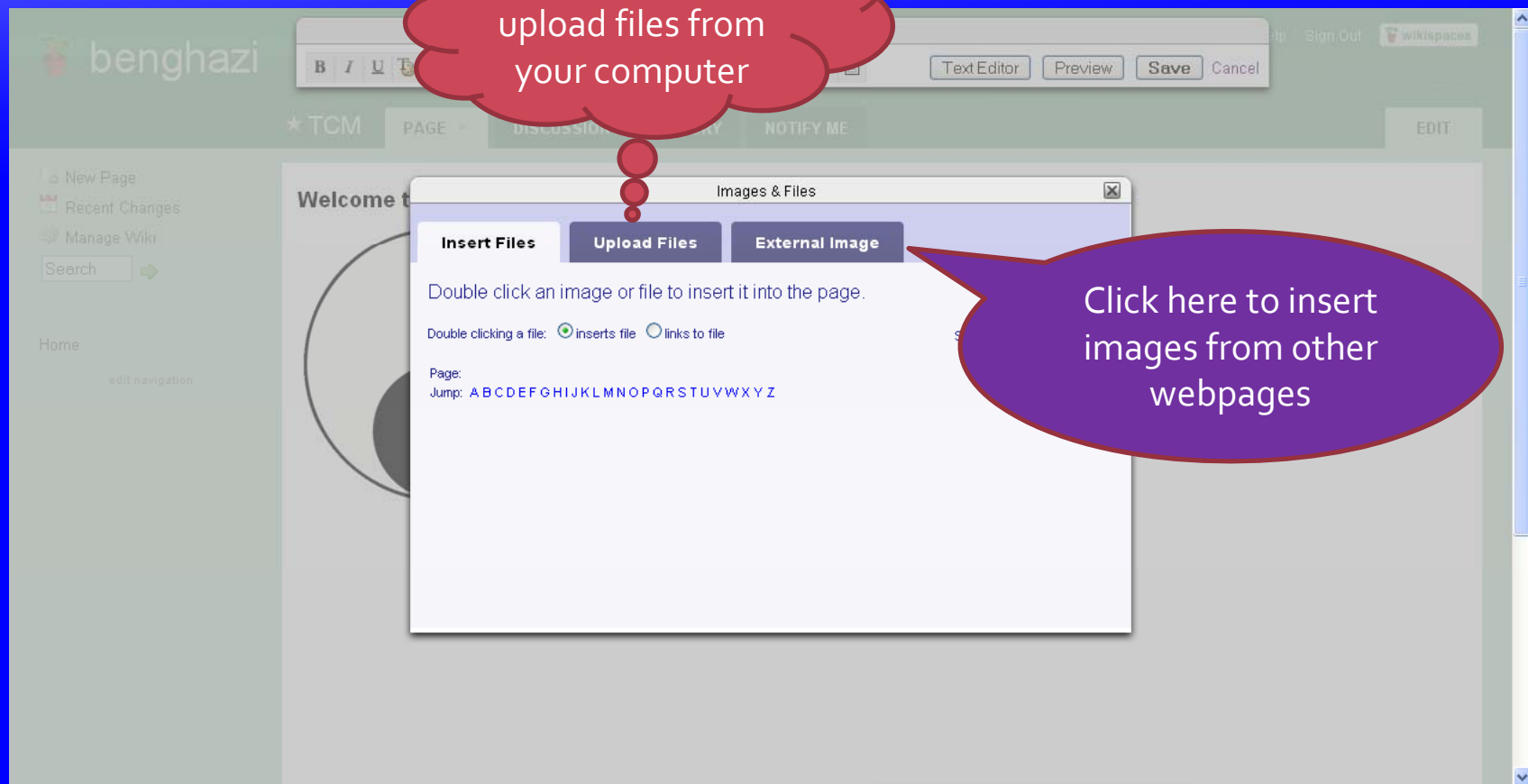
This area is for formatting your text including:
Bold, italics, underlining, text colour, size, bullet points and numbering

Click here to insert files or pictures

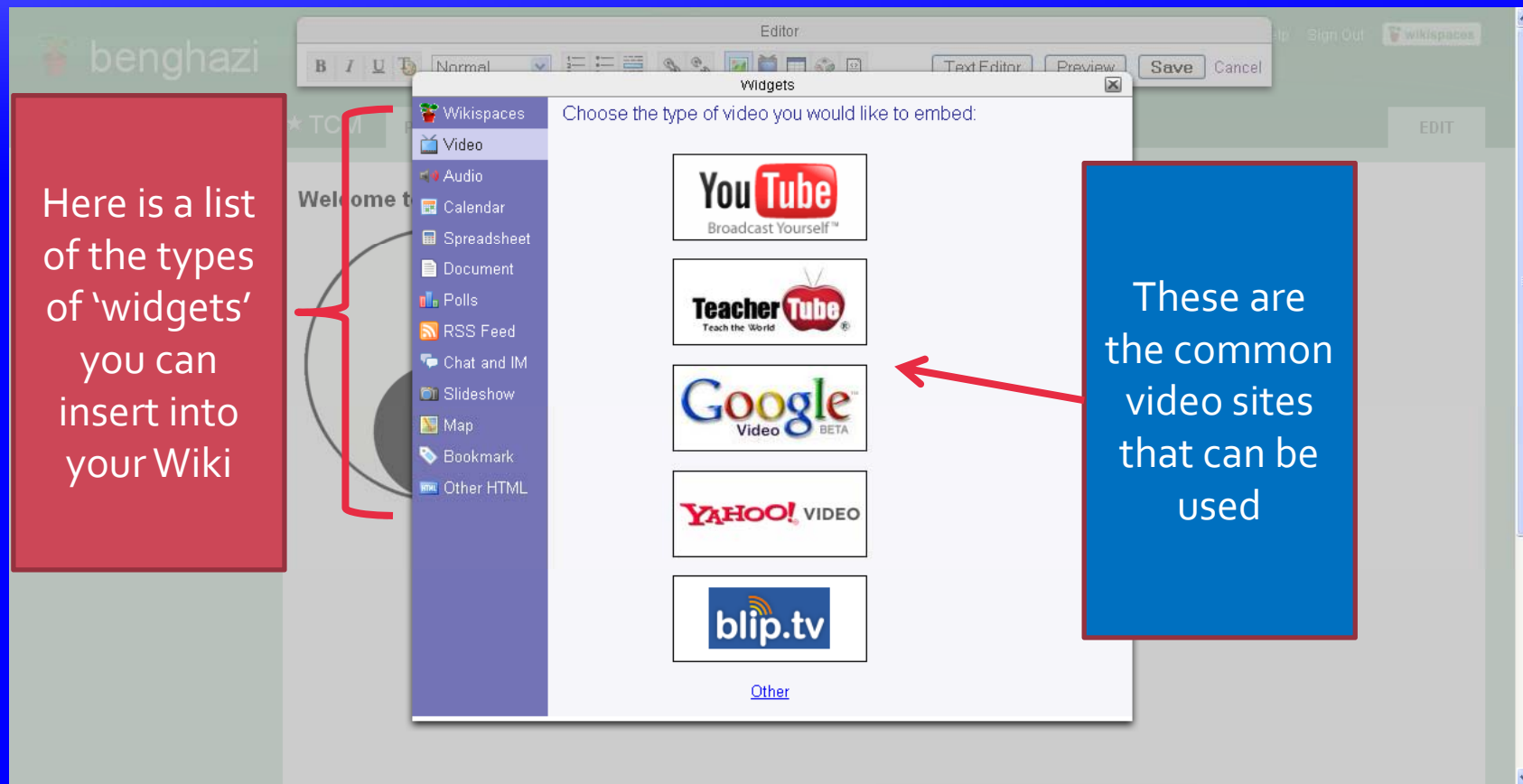
This button allows you to insert tables

Remember to click SAVE to finalise your edits

Inserting Files







Inserting Widgets




GSCC Library Wiki


<http://gscclibrary.wikispaces.com>


 gscclibrary


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★ home PAGE DISCUSSION (13) HISTORY NOTIFY ME EDIT

 New Page

 Recent Changes

 Manage Wiki

Search 

Home

9 History

Bibliographies

Netiquette

Search Engines

The Information Process

Useful Pages


What's your favourite book?

Year 9 Laptops

edit navigation

|| Bibliographies || Search Engines || Information Process || Useful Pages ||

Welcome to the new Wiki for GSCC Library!!!!



What is a Wiki?

Basically, a Wiki is a website where users can add, remove, and edit every page using a web browser. Once you are a member, you will be able to edit any pages that are included in this Wiki. The most famous Wiki is [Wikipedia](#), a site that was developed purely by member contributions!

Wiki's provide a great space for collaborative learning and you can have a look at how you can use a wiki at [How to use a Wiki in the classroom](#).

Remember you can also add to the page if you come up with any other effective ways to use the wiki in the classroom.

If you are new to the world of Wikis, watch the following video for a brief explanation -

[Wiki in Plain English](#)

Wiki Help

- ◆ <http://educationalwikis.wikispaces.com/>
- ◆ <http://www.commoncraft.com/video-wikis-plain-english>
- ◆ <http://educationalwikis.wikispaces.com/file/view/Welcome+to+the+world+of+wikis.pdf>
- ◆ <http://www.teachersfirst.com/content/wiki/>

How can I use a Wiki in the classroom

- ♦ **Study guides** - you can use your Wiki to create a class study guide. An example of this could be placing the syllabus dot points on a page and have students fill in those dot points as you study them throughout the year.
- ♦ **Glossary** - Get your class to create a glossary of terms. All members of the class have the ability to add to the page.
- ♦ **Vocabulary lists** - students can place any difficult words they have encountered in a text, accompanied by a dictionary meaning.
- ♦ **Class encyclopedia** - Just like the most famous Wiki of them all, Wikipedia - ask the class to create their own "encyclopedia" on a topic, or for a subject. These pages can be edited and added to over the years.
- ♦ **Solving Wiki** - for example, post a difficult maths problem that the whole class can work on.
- ♦ **Peer reviews** - ask students to post their work on the wiki, allowing others in the class to review or comment on the work.
- ♦ **Recipe Book** - create an online recipe book that can be shared with the whole school community.
- ♦ **Local History** - create a page that explores local history, including photos of then and now, documents, or even video interviews.

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- ◆ **Feedback forum** - ask students to give feedback on a topic just studied.
- ◆ **Pre-topic overview** - ask students to post everything they know about a topic before they have studied it. During the topic students could go back and edit their ideas.
- ◆ **Multi-author story** - ask students to create a narrative (or any type of writing), in which all members contribute part of the story. (you could place a word limit on how much each student should write).
- ◆ **Share reviews/reader's guide** - ask students to review a book, movie, TV show etc and share it on the Wiki.
- ◆ **Classroom FAQ page** - you could create the page to have a collection of student's frequently asked questions to help with assignments, class work etc. It could be used for classes in years to come.
- ◆ **Classroom Scrapbook** - Use the page to share news, photos etc about class achievements and happenings.

How can I use a Wiki in the classroom

- ♦ **Student Portfolios** - have students create their own pages (or Wikis) to post their own work for others to see and comment upon.
- ♦ **Peer editing** - students post their written pieces and have their classmates edit it for them.
- ♦ **Sharing notes** - ask different students to research different areas of a topic, then share them online. (remember when this was done by photocopying?).
- ♦ **Timeline** - create a timeline that students can add to.
- ♦ **Personality page** - ideal for history, students choose a historical figure that they can create an "historical facebook" with information, photos, famous quotes etc. for that personality.
- ♦ **Calendar** - Use the Wiki to create a calendar where the whole class can share important dates.
- ♦ **Class newspaper** - use the wiki and it's pages to create a class newspaper.
- ♦ **Hall of Fame** - use the page to list excellent work or achievements.
- ♦ **Classroom policies** - use the Wiki to develop a classroom behaviour policy for the year with input from all members of the class.